

HOUSE RESOLUTION 23

By Hill

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Russell Kurt Dibble of Kingsport.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the untimely passing of Kurt Dibble; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dibble was a consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, born into a missionary family, Kurt Dibble worked with dedication, vigor, and enthusiasm his entire life, having been involved in church planting, pastoring, and leading ministries of all types since his youth; and

WHEREAS, with a heart for children and a passion for aiding the lost of any age, Mr. Dibble and his wife tirelessly contributed their time and talents to the Bancroft Gospel Ministry; and

WHEREAS, standing as a shining example of love and mercy, Kurt Dibble also devoted thirty-nine years of faithful, selfless, and effective pastoral leadership to Child Evangelism Fellowship, a Bible-centered, worldwide organization that is dedicated to the spiritual well-being of every child; and

WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Dibble was an active and important member of the Evangelical Methodist Church, where he faithfully served as an Elder for many years; and

WHEREAS, as an accomplished musician, Kurt Dibble, through his music ministry, performed at a variety of churches and provided stirring renditions at revivals and conference meetings throughout the land; and

WHEREAS, deeply devoted to his family, Kurt Dibble always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, he was preceded in death by his beloved parents, Russell Spencer and Elsa T. Osberg Dibble, and his sister, Mary Elizabeth Dibble; and

WHEREAS, Kurt Dibble was the loving husband of Marsha R. Dibble; the proud father and father-in-law of Laura Renee' Dibble and Klinton Spencer and Jeanette Dibble; and the devoted grandfather of Breanna Jeanette Dibble, Klinton Spencer Dibble, Jr., Jordan Chase Mayo, and Conner Brice Mayo; and

WHEREAS, he will also be sorely missed by his sisters, Grace Harms, Carol Anderson, and Adeline Carver; his brother, Merton Dibble; and a host of friends, family, and loved ones; and

WHEREAS, Kurt Dibble leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor the memory of Russell Kurt Dibble, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living his life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Dibble.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.